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1. It is reported that at least part of the army in Arequipa, Peru, has joined the populace in the anti-Odria outbreak which has reached the proportions of a full-scale revolution. The shooting of demonstrating students in Arequipa reportedly worsened a tense situation and aroused the citizens of the city.
2. Colonel Carlos Herrera Lynch is reported to be one of the revolt leaders.* Although previously considered loyal to Odria, he may have been forced to join the rebels.
3. Arequipa is virtually isolated and it has been extremely difficult to obtain reliable information. It is reported that the military junta is sending an Army Medical Corps detachment with ambulances and supplies to Arequipa, a fact which indicates that the fighting continues.
4. Lima is still quiet, although the general political situation is tense. In view of the violence at the Universities in both Cuzco and Arequipa, an assault battalion was called out on the night of 13 June to guard the Lima university buildings.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. Colonel Herrera Lynch was one of the important army officers with whom Odria conferred in April in an attempt to ascertain the sentiment in the armed forces. [REDACTED]

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